



MEETING MINUTES
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF MONO
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Regular Meetings: The First, Second, and Third Tuesday of each month. Location of meeting is specified at far right.

Regular Meeting

MEETING LOCATION
Mammoth Lakes BOS
Meeting Room, 3rd Fl. Sierra
Center Mall, 452 Old
Mammoth Rd., Mammoth
Lakes, CA 93546

December 18, 2012

9:10 AM

Meeting Called to Order by Supervisor Bauer, Chair

- Supervisors present: Bauer, Hansen, Hazard, Hunt, and Johnston
- Supervisors absent: None

Pledge of Allegiance led by Lynda Roberts, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

- Leigh Gaasch: Introduced her new guide-dog-in-training, Falana.

Closed Session: 9:14 a.m.

Break: 10:03 a.m.

Reconvened: 10:30 a.m.

Lunch: 11:43 a.m.

Reconvened: 1:03 p.m.

Adjourned: 1:41 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION

The Board had nothing to report from Closed Session.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1a)

Closed Session--Human Resources - CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS. Government Code Section 54957.6. Agency designated representative(s): Marshall Rudolph, Brian Muir, and Jim Arkens. Employee Organization(s): Mono County Sheriff's Officers Association (aka Deputy Sheriff's Association), Local 39--majority representative of Mono County Public Employees (MCPE) and Deputy Probation Officers Unit (DPOU), Mono County Paramedic Rescue Association (PARA), Mono County Public Safety Officers Association (PSO), and Mono County Sheriff Department's Management Association (SO Mgmt). Unrepresented employees: All.

1b)

Conference with Legal Counsel - CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION. Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to subdivision (b) of Government Code section 54956.9. Number of potential

cases: one. Facts and circumstances: dispute regarding Conway Ranch grant compliance.

OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

No one spoke.

2) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

M12-274 A. Approve Minutes of the Regular meeting held on December 4, 2012, as corrected.

Hansen moved; Hunt seconded

Vote: 5 Yes; 0 No

- Supervisor Hansen, page 6, spelling correction: Tim Banna should be Banta.
- Supervisor Johnston: (1) Page 6, correction to his comments: "...; he thinks the area should be shotgun only since the fishery and house are nearby." (2) Item #13c, pages 10-11, put the statement that he recused himself and left the meeting room at the beginning of the item prior to the discussion.

3) BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Supervisor Bauer

1. Last Friday: Attended the ESTA meeting; received a certificate of appreciation for her years of work.
2. Last Saturday: Helped at the June Lake Women's Club breakfast with Santa; 100 people attended. A group of six year olds gave a music recital.

Supervisor Hansen

1. December 12: Attended the Lee Vining RPAC; received a certificate of appreciation.
2. Attended the Great Basin Air Pollution Control District meeting (GBAPCD); received a gift from the board.
3. Will miss many things about being a Supervisor. Thanked County employees for doing a good job.

Supervisor Hazard

1. December 12: Attended the employee luncheon in Mammoth.
2. Last week turned in his County property (keys, etc).
3. Received a clean bill of health from his cardiologist.
4. Will meet this Friday with the External Affairs Director from AT&T; they will tour the southern part of Mono County in order to review the cell tower issue in Chalfant. This is his last effort to help resolve this situation.
5. Has enjoyed working on the Board of Supervisors.

Supervisor Hunt

1. Thanked the three out-going Supervisors; has enjoyed working with them.
2. Asked for a moment of silence in remembrance of the 26 people who were killed in Connecticut last week.
3. Attended the Eastern Sierra Council of Governments meeting (ESCOG): 1) Supervisor Johnston was elected chair for next year; 2) presentation about radio communications and how this can be applied region wide; 3) Adventure Trails update.
4. Attended ESTA board meeting. Demonstration on new route-match software.
5. Last Saturday: Attended the June Lake tree-lighting ceremony.
6. Yesterday: Attended the Sierra Nevada Conservancy meeting.

Supervisor Johnston

1. Attended the ESCOG meeting: 1) Working on a draft legislative platform; will bring this to the Board of Supervisors for ratification before taking it to the new ESCOG board. 2) Set meeting dates.
2. Attended the GBAPCD meeting: Working on determining the origins of pollution in the

Owens Lake area (Keeler Dunes); the board will reconsider this issue next year. LADWP refused to pay over \$1 million in fees; a court has upheld the payment requirement.

3. Attended the June Lake tree-lighting ceremony; also attended a tourism meeting. Johnston thought of holding a Supervisors' snow sculpture contest in June Lake.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

- 4) CAO Report regarding Board Assignments (Jim Arkens)
ACTION: Receive brief oral report by County Administrative Officer (CAO) regarding his activities.

Jim Arkens

1. Management meeting/holiday party in Lee Vining last Wednesday.
2. Continues holding status meetings with his direct reports.
3. Attended the Mammoth Lakes employee holiday party last week.
4. Attended the ESCOG meeting with Supervisors Hunt and Johnston.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS/EMERGING ISSUES

- **Robin Roberts**, Mental Health Department: Last Saturday met with the Mammoth Lakes Superintendent of Schools, teachers, and the principal in response to the tragedy in Connecticut. Her department will develop a policy/procedure for dealing with the impacts of this type of situation.

CONSENT AGENDA

(All matters on the consent agenda are to be approved on one motion unless a board member requests separate action on a specific item.)

NOTE: Supervisor Johnston pulled Item 7a, and Supervisor Bauer pulled Item 8a.

CLERK OF THE BOARD

- 5a) Appointment to CSA 1 Board of Directors - Ron Glende has resigned from the CSA 1 Board of Directors. The CSA 1 Board is recommending appointment of Lynda Salcido to fill this vacancy.

M12-275 **Action:** Appoint Lynda Salcido to fill the vacancy on the CSA 1 Board of Directors created by the resignation of Ron Glende; the term will expire November 30, 2014.

Johnston moved; Hazard seconded

Vote: 5 Yes; 0 No

ELECTIONS

- 6a) Appointment to White Mountain Fire Protection District Board of Commissioners - Make appointment to White Mountain Fire Protection District Board of Commissioners pursuant to California Elections Code §10515(b).

M12-276 **Action:** Appoint Kathryn Williams to serve on the White Mountain Fire Protection District Board of Commissioners. This term will expire November 30, 2016.

Johnston moved; Hazard seconded

Vote: 5 Yes; 0 No

PUBLIC WORKS - SOLID WASTE DIVISION

- 7a) Letter to CalRecycle re: Town of Mammoth Lakes Diversion - Consider follow-up letter to CalRecycle, providing an update since the July 2012 letter, and providing additional information and County perspective on regional diversion solutions.

Action: None

- Tony Dublino, Solid Waste Division: The letter as drafted is not necessary due to a report he just received and emailed to the Board. CalRecycle has considered that the Town is making a good-faith effort. Dublino recommended not sending a letter at this time.
- Supervisor Hunt: This issue needs to be carefully reviewed before writing and sending letters. The Town and County need to work cooperatively toward short-term and long-term waste management efforts.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT - BUILDING DIVISION

- 8a) Limited Density Owner Built Rural Dwellings - Proposed ordinance Limited Density Owner Built Rural Dwellings adopting Chapter 15.50 of the Mono County Code Pertaining to Limited Density Owner-Built Rural Dwellings.

ORD12-06 **Action:** Adopt Ordinance ORD12-06, adopting Chapter 15.50 of the Mono County Code Pertaining to Limited Density Owner-Built Rural Dwellings.
Johnston moved; Hazard seconded
Vote: 4 Yes; 1 No (Bauer)

FINANCE

Additional Departments: Behavioral Health

- 9a) Mental Health Plan Contract - Proposed amendment extending the term of contract with State of California, Department of Health Care Services pertaining to specialty mental health services.

M12-277 **Action:** Approve County entry into amendment extending the term of contract with State of California, Department of Health Care Services pertaining to specialty mental health services, and authorize Robin Roberts to execute said contract on behalf of the County.
Johnston moved; Hazard seconded
Vote: 5 Yes; 0 No

Additional Departments: County Administration

- 9b) Retirement Plan Signature Authority - Retirement Plan Signature Authority.

R12-95 **Action:** Approve and authorize the Chairman's signature on Resolution R12-95 authorizing individuals to act on behalf of Mono County Retirement Plans.
Johnston moved; Hazard seconded
Vote: 5 Yes; 0 No

REGULAR AGENDA

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED (INFORMATIONAL)

All items listed are available for review and are located in the Office of the Clerk of the Board

CLERK OF THE BOARD

10a) No Correspondence

SHERIFF CORONER

11a) Resolution of the Board of Supervisors in Appreciation of Sheriff Richard C. Scholl (Sheriff Richard C. Scholl) - The Mono County Board of Supervisors will present Sheriff Richard C. Scholl a resolution in appreciation for his years of service with the Mono County Sheriff's Office.

M12-278 Action: Approve Resolution of Appreciation honoring Sheriff Richard C. Scholl for his years of service.

Hazard moved; Bauer seconded

Vote: 5 Yes; 0 No

- Sheriff Scholl: It has been an honor to be in this position for the last 6 years, and he will cherish the memories.
- Supervisor Hazard read the Resolution of Appreciation, and presented it to Sheriff Scholl.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

12a) Certificate of Appreciation for the Inyo National Forest (Supervisor Bauer) - Certificate of Appreciation for the Inyo National Forest thanking them for their ongoing efforts and success to "Keep June Mountain Open". Supervisor Bauer is sponsoring this item.

Action: Present Certificate of Appreciation to the Inyo National Forest.

- Supervisor Bauer: Presented the Certificate of Appreciation to Jon Regelbrugge, and acknowledged his efforts to keep June Mountain Ski Area open.
- Regelbrugge: Thanked the Board for their acknowledgement. He expressed his appreciation for the working relationship he has with the Board of Supervisors in general, and the working relationship he has had with out-going Supervisors Hansen, Hazard and Bauer. He will continue to work hard to manage the public land.

Additional Departments: CAO, Finance, County Counsel

12b) Paramedic MOU (Jim Arkens, Marshall Rudolph, Brian Muir) - Resolution approving a new memorandum of understanding between the County and the Mono County Paramedic Rescue Association and adopting new personnel rules and a new job description applicable to that bargaining unit.

R12-92 Action: Adopt Resolution R12-92 approving a new memorandum of understanding between the County and the Mono County Paramedic Rescue Association and adopting new personnel rules and a new job description applicable to that bargaining unit.

Hazard moved; Hunt seconded

Vote: 5 Yes; 0 No

- Marshall Rudolph, County Counsel: Reviewed the tentative agreement for the MOU, including the personnel rules. The MOU will become binding and effective after the union takes a ratification vote.
- Supervisor Johnston: Thanked staff and paramedics for their work on this MOU.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

13a)

June Lake Winter Campaign Update (Ralph Lockhart, June Lake Revitalization Committee; Jeff Simpson, Economic Development) - Presentation by Ralph Lockhart, June Lake Revitalization Committee and Jeff Simpson, Economic Development staff regarding an update on the June Lake Winter 2013 Campaign.

Action: None (informational only).

- Jeff Simpson, Tourism/Film Commission Department: Pointed out the new display that was set up in the room for viewing; this will be used at trade shows. Simpson reviewed the following:
 - New brochure and visitor guide.
 - Lonely Planet rated Mono County as one of the top 10 destinations.
 - Reviewed the June Lake promotional website (VisitJune.com), which was launched October 20; the site has received about 3,500 hits.
 - Lodging is the #1 visited page on the website; all winter lodging options are listed. The site also shows activities available, events calendar, shopping, dining, and transportation.
 - Free bus service starts on December 22.
 - An LA Times article is helping drive traffic to website.
 - Reviewed a June Lake survey.
 - A billboard in Bishop is generating 36,000 impressions weekly; it will be up for four months.
 - Reviewed public relations efforts, including use of Facebook, and working closely with Mammoth Mountain Ski Area marketing.
 - A June Lake brochure has been distributed along the 395 corridor and in Southern California sports stores, California airports that fly to Mammoth Lakes, and in California welcome centers.
 - The next two weeks will be a big indicator of how well the campaign is doing. Businesses are receiving emails and phone calls about lodging availability.
 - There is about \$5,000-\$7,000 left from the County allocation.
- Connie Black: 1) The June Lake Chamber will provide comparative data from prior years to measure results of efforts this year. 2) She will be meeting with the Forest Service in Bishop to discuss the status of June Mountain Ski Area. Senator Feinstein has committed to a meeting and not moving forward with land trades until issues are resolved.
- Ralph Lockhart: PowerPoint presentation about activities funded by the County allocation.
 - Town lighting and animation. Tree lighting ceremony included carolers and a bon fire.
 - Trail access and development. They have approval for cross-country trails on the Black's Silver Lake property; the Forest Service is close to approving cross-country trails on their land.

- Showed a map outlining proposed cross-county trails, and talked about trail-grooming equipment.
 - Guests will be informed about areas that can be used for sledding and tubing.
 - Outlined events in June Lake, such as music, film, creative activities (snow sculpture), biathlon, and snowmobile events.
 - Encouraging guests to help with promotional efforts by uploading pictures and videos to Facebook; winners of best uploads will receive a prize.
 - Thanked the Forest Service for issuing permits for the special events and working with them on permits for cross-country ski trails.
 - Supervisor Bauer: Partnering with the Forest Service is important.
- Jon Regelbrugge, Forest Service: 1) They are close to issuing permits for cross-country ski trails. 2) Gave an update about efforts with Mammoth Mountain and opening of June Lake Ski Area. 3) Avalanche control is minimal and includes access to facilities and communication equipment, plus some control to reduce threat to the PUD facility. Efforts do not include public access. An existing Forest Service order prohibits public operation of snowmobiles on the face of June Mountain.

LUNCH

OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

- Aleksandra Gajewski, publisher of the Mammoth Times: The Mammoth Times now has distribution boxes in Benton and Chalfant, with about 25 papers in each location. She intends to increase the number of papers in Benton to 50 since all 25 copies were taken last week. She asked the Board to provide feedback as needed if more papers are required at various locations.

SOCIAL SERVICES

Additional Departments: HR

- 14a) Request to Re-Allocate Position and Fill Said Position (Julie M. Tiede) - Request to re-allocate vacant FTS I/II position to an Eligibility Worker I/II and fill Eligibility Worker position.

M12-279 Action: Approve the Department of Social Services' request to re-allocate the existing vacant FTS I/II position to an Eligibility Worker I/II, and fill such vacant position.

Hazard moved; Johnston seconded

Vote: 5 Yes; 0 No

- Julie Tiede, Social Services Director: Asked the Board to reallocate a vacant fiscal position since they need an eligibility worker instead. This will be time-study position so it will bring money into the department. There will be no additional cost for this position.

PROBATION

- 15a) Approval to Advertise for a Deputy Probation Officer III Position (Karen Humiston, CPO) - Currently the Probation office has a vacant Deputy Probation Officer III position, which was filled from 2006 to 2012. The current Probation staff is Deputy Probation Officers I/II and with the resignation of the Assistant Chief Probation officer, there is a need for a high level officer. This is a critical

position needed by Probation because this position investigates the more difficult cases of juvenile delinquency and provides lead direction and work coordination for other probation and support staff.

M12-280 **Action:** Approve request to recruit for and hire a Deputy Probation Officer III.
Johnston moved; Hazard seconded
Vote: 5 Yes; 0 No

- Jim Arkens CAO/HR Director: This position will replace the former assistant chief's position. The Chief Probation Officer determined that she needs a Level III position rather than the Assistant Chief position.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY

16a) Employment Contract (Tim Kendall/DA) - Proposed resolution approving a contract for a new deputy district attorney and prescribing the compensation, appointment and conditions of said employment.

R12-94 **Action:** Adopt Resolution R12-94 approving an employment agreement with Daniel Lengeman to fill the Deputy District Attorney II position, and prescribing the compensation, appointment and conditions of said employment.
Hazard moved; Hansen seconded
Vote: 5 Yes; 0 No

- Tim Kendall, District Attorney: Requested approval of an employment contract with Daniel Lengeman to fill the position vacated recently by Jeremy Ibrahim. The Board of Supervisors previously approved the recruitment and hiring for this position. Lengeman is currently a Deputy District Attorney II in the Riverside County DA's office, so he has experience, including trial experience. This is a great opportunity to hire a trained Deputy District Attorney, and he has agreed to start on January 2, 2013. Kendall thanked the Board for their support during the transition of his office after George Booth's retirement.

AMBULANCE PARAMEDICS

Additional Departments: Public Health, Administration

17a) Approval of Emergency Medical Services Manager Position (Lynda Salcido/Jim Arkens) - Request to authorize the position of EMS Manager to oversee the operations of the Mono County EMS Program, under direction of the Public Health Director/EMS Director. Since the retirement of Mark Mikulicich, Fire & Paramedic Rescue Chief, in August, 2011, the oversight of this program has been assumed by Lynda Salcido, Public Health Director. This arrangement, while adequate, has not been ideal in that there are many areas of the program that require a higher degree of oversight and management. It is proposed to authorize the position of EMS Manager, reporting to the Public Health Director/EMS Director, to take on these responsibilities.

M12-281 **Action:** Authorize and approve the position of a full time Emergency Medical Services Manager for the County EMS Program.
Hansen moved; Hunt seconded
Vote: 4 Yes; 0 No; 1 Absent (Hazard)

- Prior to consideration of this item, Supervisor Hazard recused himself and left the meeting room.
- Lynda Salcido, Public Health Director: Asked for Board approval of an EMS Manager position. Salcido has been overseeing the paramedic program, but the program needs more intensive management than she can provide due to her other responsibilities. The proposed cost is \$155,000 (\$75,000 is salary and the remainder is benefits). This position will report to Salcido since it is appropriate to have the position in public health. The person hired should have at least 5 years paid emergency management experience and office management experience. Many practices need to be updated.
- Brent Harper, Mammoth Lakes Fire Chief: Thanked the out-going Supervisors for their support. The EMS Manager position is necessary and will support the continued oversight of the program, which needs a coordinator to handle day-to-day situations and training. He recommended making this a working position so the person can act in the EMS capacity.
- Jim Arkens, CAO/HR Director: Salcido has stabilized the program and improved practices. This position will move the program forward.
- Supervisor Johnston: Thanked Salcido for managing the program for the last 18 months; it is time to move forward with this hiring.

HUMAN RESOURCES

Additional Departments: Finance

- 18a) Employment contract for Rosemary Glazier (Jim Arkens) - Proposed resolution approving a two year contract with Rose Glazier as Assistant Director of Finance/Treasurer-Tax Collector, and prescribing the compensation, appointment and conditions of said employment.
- R12-93** **Action:** Adopt Resolution R12-93 approving a two year contract with Rose Glazier as Assistant Director of Finance/Treasurer-Tax Collector, and prescribing the compensation, appointment and conditions of said employment.
Hunt moved; Hazard seconded
Vote: 4 Yes; 1 No (Johnston)
- Brian Muir, Finance Director: This is a contract renewal; there is no salary increase and no automobile allowance. Glazier does a really good job managing this high-stress position. Muir recommended approval of the contract.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

- 19a) Fiscal & Technical Specialist III Position in Administrative Office (Jim Arkens) - Consider potential recruitment and hiring for FTS III position to be vacated this month in the County Administrator's office due to a retirement.
- M12-282** **Action:** Authorize recruitment and hiring for FTS III position in the County Administrator's office.
Hunt moved; Bauer seconded
Vote: 5 Yes; 0 No
- Jim Arkens, CAO/HR Director: The Board previously authorized hiring of a temporary employee. Fourteen people applied (none were current County employees) and eight were interviewed. No one will accept a temporary position. This position is essential to the CAO's office; Arkens asked the Board to make this a permanent position. Sarah Messerlian will manage the office staff, including this position.

FINANCE

Additional Departments: County Administration

- 20a) Fiscal & Technical Specialist IV Position in Finance Department (Brian Muir) - Consider potential recruitment and hiring for FTS IV position in the Finance Department to be vacated this month due to a lateral transfer to the Assessor's office resulting from a retirement.

M12-283 **Action:** Authorize recruitment and hiring for FTS IV position in the Finance Department.

Hunt moved; Hazard seconded

Vote: 5 Yes; 0 No

- Brian Muir, Finance Director: One of his employees accepted a position in the Assessor's Office. Muir asked the Board to approve recruiting for and hiring a replacement.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

- 21a) Resolution of Appreciation (Board of Supervisors) - Consider and potentially approve resolution thanking a departing employee for their service.

M12-284 **Action:** Approve resolution thanking Brian Muir, Finance Director, for his years of service.

Johnston moved; Hunt seconded

Vote: 5 Yes; 0 No

- Supervisor Bauer: Read the Resolution of Appreciation and presented it to Mr. Muir.
- The Supervisors acknowledged Muir's contributions to Mono County, including his integrity and honesty.
- Brian Muir: Will miss the County and Bridgeport, and will miss the people.

ADJOURN: 1:41 p.m.

ATTEST:

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VICE CHAIR

LYNDA ROBERTS
CLERK OF THE BOARD

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